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Bombings kill dozens in Turkey

The Associated Press

ISTANBUL, Turkey — Suicide truck bombs exploded at a London-based bank and the British consulate Thursday, killing at least 27 people and wounding nearly 450. The worst terrorist bombings in Turkey's history coincided with President Bush's trip to Britain and were blamed on al-Qaida.

Security forces were put on highest alert after the attacks at the high-rise headquarters of the HSBC bank and the British consulate occurred five minutes apart at about 11 a.m.

Among the dead was British Consul-General Roger Short, London's highest-ranking diplomat in Istanbul, Turkish Foreign Minister Abdullah Gul said.

The blasts followed two synagogue bombings Saturday — also blamed on al-Qaida — that killed 23 people, plus the two bombers.

Bush, at a new conference with Prime Minister Tony Blair, said Thursday's bombings showed terrorists' "utter contempt for innocent life."

British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw, who was scheduled to arrive in Istanbul on Thursday evening, described the attacks as "clearly appalling acts of terrorism" and suggested a link to the al-Qaida network.

A man calling the Anatolia news agen-

cy said that al-Qaida and the militant Islamic Great Eastern Raiders' Front, or IBDA-C, jointly claimed responsibility for attacks.

In Washington, however, a law enforcement official who spoke on condition of anonymity said the United States was not yet willing to put the blame directly on al-Qaida.

At least 27 people were killed and nearly 450 wounded by the suicide bombers, Interior Minister Abdulkadir Aksu said. Four of the injured were in critical condition and 15 others were undergoing surgery, Istanbul health officials said.

It was the worst single-day toll from terrorism in Turkey since 1977, when gunmen opened fire on leftists celebrating May Day, killing 37 people.

Turkish Premier Recep Tayyip Erdogan vowed to defeat the terrorists and deplored their attack during the Islamic holy month of Ramadan.

"Those who bloodied this holy day and massacred innocent people will account for it in both worlds," he said. "They will be damned until eternity."

The first Istanbul blast struck the Turkish headquarters of HSBC, the world's second-largest bank, shearing off the facade of the 18-story building and shattering the windows of nearby high-rises.

Body parts, the charred shells of cars and broken glass were scattered around



AP

Plainclothes police and officials inspect the bombed HSBC Bank building in Istanbul, Turkey, on Thursday.

a 9-foot-deep crater in the streets outside the bank. Water gushed from the top floors of the building.

The second bomb, detonated about five minutes later and five miles away, ripped off the wall surrounding the garden of the British consulate in the Beyoglu district downtown.

Car bomb kills five bystanders in Kirkuk

The Associated Press

KIRKUK, Iraq — A suicide truck bomb exploded at the office of a U.S.-allied Kurdish political party in this northern oil center Thursday, killing five bystanders and wounding about 30 — including children.

It was the second car-bombing in as many days against Iraqis cooperating with the U.S.-led occupation. Elsewhere, a pro-U.S. politician

was assassinated in the southern city of Basra, his party said Thursday.

Jalal Johar, an official of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan, said the death toll rose to five Thursday night with the death of one of the injured, a boy about 7 years old.

The powerful explosion at about 10:30 a.m. shattered windows and damaged doors at the two-story yellow and green PUK building and blew

out windows of the nearby radio and television station.

Such attacks in the Kurdish-controlled areas are less frequent than in Baghdad or other parts of central and western Iraq dominated by Sunni Muslim Arabs. On Sept. 10, a suicide bomber blew up his vehicle near a U.S. intelligence compound in the northern city of Irbil, killing three people and seriously wounding four Ameri-

can intelligence officers.

"We think that Islamic terrorist groups and remnants of the Saddam [Hussein] regime are behind the attack," security guard Assad Ahmed said of Thursday's blast.

The PUK is a group that supports American efforts in Iraq. Party chief Jalal Talabani is the current head of the U.S.-installed Iraqi Governing Council.

No group claimed responsibility for the attack.

Teams hunt down military fugitives

BY KENT HARRIS

Stars and Stripes

The Air Force believes Toni Lynne Zito is on the run somewhere in Europe.

But she'll be bucking the odds if she manages to evade military law enforcement agents forever.

"If they decide to take off and run, they will not be out there for long," said Kevin Chen, a special agent for the Air Force's Office of Special Investigations and manager of the agency's most-wanted fugitive program.

Zito, facing a court-martial at RAF Mildenhall, England, for illegal possession and shipment of firearms, left her post on Oct. 3 and is believed to be in Sicily or Germany, according to Chen. The 5-foot-6, 150-pound Zito may be traveling with her Italian national husband, Roberto Zito.

She's one of only two airmen still on the lam since the OSI consolidated its fugitive program in 1997. Since that time, the agency has cap-

tured 62 fugitives around the world who left their bases while awaiting charges ranging from murder to writing bad checks.

In fact, the agency has been so successful in recent years that it no longer can maintain a "Top 10" list. There are currently nine fugitives listed on its Web site, and seven of those left their posts before the program consolidation.

"Before that, there wasn't a central effort to go out and look for fugitives," Chen said in a telephone interview Tuesday. "We had a lot of people flee in the '80s and '90s who are still on the list. But since the program started, we've been very successful."

The Army's Criminal Investigation Command and the Naval Criminal Investigation Service also have hundreds of agents around the globe looking for soldiers and sailors on the run, and the Internet is helping them more than ever.

"We get a lot of tips from

the Internet site," Chen said. Many either provide information that is already known or that doesn't lead anywhere. But some have contributed to the capture of those on the run.

Sara Johnson, a public affairs specialist for the NCIS, said the capture of at least 10 fugitives could be attributed to postings on her agency's Web site.

In fact, of the six fugitives recently posted on the site, three wanted posters had "CAPTURED" on them in large red letters.

Those three include Joshua Aaron Harvey, who was charged with robbery and assault while based at Naval Support Activity Souda Bay, Greece. Johnson said Harvey turned himself in to authorities in Great Lakes, Mich., and was sent back to Souda Bay to face trial.

Another sailor on the NCIS site is Harley Chris Defreitas. He fled NSA Naples and is under investigation for theft of a military computer and

photographic equipment. The NCIS poster indicates he might be in Australia or Brazil.

Johnson said the NCIS is currently redesigning its Web site and its fugitive listings may change because of that.

That's also the case with the Army's criminal investigative unit, according to Chris Grey, chief of public affairs for the agency commonly known as the CID. He said the agency has traditionally posted information on fugitives more on regional CID sites and has targeted releases to media outlets in those areas.

"We've had a good success rate," he said. But creating an agency "most-wanted" list on a central Web site is a possibility during the redesign.

Of course, just putting a mug shot and information on a suspect on the Internet or publicizing a fugitive on the run doesn't guarantee a capture.

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Former 'military brat' pens books to help new generation

BY LISA BURGESS

Stars and Stripes

ARLINGTON, Va. — It's a dilemma faced by many military families today: How do you get very young children to understand why their parent is leaving?

If anyone can help, it would be a former "military brat."

That was the thinking that prompted Michelle Ferguson-Cohen to write and illustrate two new books for children: "Daddy, You're My Hero!" and "Mommy, You're My Hero!"

The books are written for children ages 4 to 8 — the same age window Ferguson-Cohen fell into when her own father, retired Army

Brig. Gen. Michael Ferguson, did two tours in Vietnam.

During the Vietnam war, "society as a whole was not terribly compassionate towards military families," Ferguson-Cohen said Wednesday. "The thing I remembered the most as a military brat was this perception that you're alone."

Reading was both solace and an escape.

"My mom took me to the library every single night after dinner," Ferguson-Cohen said.

But there was a gap on the bookshelves.

"It made me crazy that I could never find any books that reflected my reality."

Fast-forward to Sept. 11, 2001, the day Ferguson-Cohen watched the Twin Towers crumble from the roof of her Brooklyn, N.Y., apartment.

"Our neighborhood was covered by debris," she said. "The first thing on my mind was the military and their families — I knew there would be a military action. And at that moment, all these memories came flooding back."

"I wanted to do something to remind [military kids] that they aren't alone."

At first, Ferguson-Cohen, 38, wrote a simple little poem that later formed the text for her books. Then she created a Web site on which to post the

poem, which she illustrated herself in her first-ever foray into drawing and painting.

After making the rounds of uninterested publishers, Ferguson-Cohen and her husband decided to invest their own savings in a paperback, and later, a more sturdy "board book."

In addition to the hard-cover versions of the books, which sell for \$6.99 to \$12.99 depending on the outlet, both books are also still available online, where visitors can read them (but not download them) for free.

To see a free, interactive version of both books, and for information on ordering them and associated merchandise, go to www.booksforbrats.net. E-mail Lisa Burgess at: burgessl@stripes.osd.mil

Jackson surrenders to California police

Singer facing child molestation charges

The Associated Press

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. — A handcuffed Michael Jackson walked into the Santa Barbara jail on Thursday to face child molestation charges that could send the pop superstar to prison for years if he is convicted.

A private jet landed at the Santa Barbara airport shortly before noon and rolled its nose into the partly opened doors of a hangar.

A caravan of cars left the hangar and arrived at a county building shortly afterward.

Jackson, his hands cuffed behind his back, was escorted into the Santa Barbara County main jail shortly after noon.

Sheriff Jim Anderson said

the booking would take about an hour and that Jackson was expected to immediately post his \$3 million bail.

Earlier Thursday, Jackson's attorney, Mark Geros, confirmed that the surrender was being arranged in Santa Barbara, where throngs of camera crews and news reporters awaited his arrival.

A family friend, Steve Manning, told ABC's "Good Morning America" Thursday that Jackson's family came to Las Vegas to support him. "He feels he's been wrongly accused and he's going to fight this tooth and nail," Manning said. "He's at war right now and he's going to use any weapon he has to fight these charges."

Free-trade protesters clash with Miami cops

BY KEN THOMAS

The Associated Press

MIAMI — Police in riot gear used batons, plastic shields, concussion grenades and stun guns in clashes Thursday with hundreds of demonstrators protesting talks aimed at creating a hemisphere-wide free-trade zone.

At last seven demonstrators were arrested. Police said one officer suffered minor injuries. Injured protesters were also seen, but no immediate details were available.

The clashes delayed for more than an hour a march organized by the nation's unions, which are also opposed to the proposed Free Trade Area of the Americas. About 10,000 marchers

were taking part, and organizers promised it would be peaceful.

During the clashes, at least 1,000 protesters — many wearing bandanas across the bottom half of their faces, surgical masks and blue batting helmets — approached lines of police blocking downtown streets. Others carried gas masks and tried to pull down security fences with large hooks.

The officers used their batons mostly to push back the protesters but occasionally used them to strike the demonstrators.

Police also displayed stun guns and used a spray that smelled like rotten eggs to disperse protesters. The demonstrators sprayed a cream on at least one officer and threw objects at others.

On anniversary, memories of JFK surround death

BY KAREN HELLER

Knight Ridder Newspapers

PHILADELPHIA — The assassination of John F. Kennedy was a tragedy as much for what it launched as what it killed.

The 40th anniversary on Saturday doesn't so much mark the death of innocence — a phrase used so frequently about so many events that it's clear our innocence is very much intact — but the birth of the death business, a profligate fascination with the loss of celebrated Americans whose lives ended early.

John Kennedy remains, decades later, the only leader whose death we honor rather than his birth, a date few can recall without a Google search. (For the record: May 29, 1917.) Even the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., whose murder was equally shattering, escaped such ignominy. As with Washington, Jefferson and Lincoln, we honor his birth.

On a special on Monday (to be repeated Saturday), MSNBC's Chris Matthews asked famous Americans that most frequently asked question, "Where were you when John F. Kennedy was shot?" Of any other modern leader, the question would have been, "What was the most significant contribution of his presidency?"

For much of the baby boom and anyone younger, Kennedy has always been a martyr, a vessel. He's been known only in death. And this has helped fuel the prurient interest in his killing. Many of us, myself included, learned of his assassination before we understood he'd been president.

With that single bullet, or perhaps several, began a national pastime of celebrity necrophilia, an obsession

with turning the dead into myth and embracing the myth more than the sometimes prosaic aspects of an actual life.

Kennedy remains the standard for such worship: handsome, rich, heroic, sickly, a man with a beautiful wife, sensational mistresses, lovely children, a Herculean libido. And he was dead by 46, never having to suffer the indignities of middle age.

As far as anyone can tell, he never took a bad picture.

But our most salient images of Kennedy are in death and the aftermath: the slo-mo Dallas motorcade, the grassy knoll, Jacqueline Kennedy's blood-stained pink suit, his son's valiant salute, the eternal flame.

From there, the JFK death industry spun out exponentially. Dead Kennedy became the stuff of maudlin folk music, trashy television, one punk band, conspiracy theories, several actors' careers (William Devane, James Franciscus), a bombastic Oliver Stone movie, and an entire library of questionable nonfiction tomes.

John F. Kennedy has become a role, more than a historical figure, his life appropriated from the historians and journalists by the entertainment business. Forty actors have portrayed the 35th president, according to the Internet Movie Database, often in highly fictional movies and mini-series.

Kennedy died on Nov. 22, 1963, only to die over and over again, his presidency a small footnote in the near-religion Oswald's shot unleashed. Few things are assured in this world, but 10 years from the 50th anniversary, it seems safe to concede that the man's legacy will never completely rest in peace.

Bush, Blair stand firm on terrorism

BY SCOTT LINDLAW

The Associated Press

LONDON — U.S. President Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair said Thursday that deadly twin bombings in Turkey only stiffen their resolve in Iraq and against global terrorism. "Our response is not to flinch or give way or concede one inch," the British leader said.

"What this latest terrorist outrage shows us is that this is a war — its main battleground is Iraq," Blair said, at Bush's side as thousands began marching through London's streets against the American president's visit and the Iraq invasion. "We stand absolutely firm until this job is done — done in Iraq, done elsewhere in the world."

Just hours before, blasts shattered the British consulate and the London-based HSBC bank in downtown

Istanbul, killing more than two dozen people.

Bush mourned for those killed.

"Great Britain, America and other free nations are united today in our grief and united in our determination to fight and defeat this evil wherever it is found," he said.

Both leaders sought to draw attention to terrorism's broad reach — in a large number of countries and with many Muslim victims. But Bush, in asserting progress in the U.S.-led campaign against the al-Qaida terrorist network, also seemed to acknowledge the effort's shortcomings in failing so far to capture Osama bin Laden and other top leaders.

"If you were to view al Qaida's organization structure as a kind of a board of directors and then there would be the operating management," he said, "we're dismantling the operating management."

They also intended to project unity on Iraq at a time when their support at home has eroded.

"Our mission in Iraq is noble and it is necessary," Bush said.

But disputes between their governments loomed over the meeting at No. 10 Downing Street.

Bush slapped tariffs on steel imported to the United States last year, angering Blair.

Bush said Blair had raised the issue for a third time with him Thursday. But the president was noncommittal about whether he will repeal the tariffs in the wake of a World Trade Organization ruling that they violate international trade laws, saying only that he would make "a timely decision."

Many Britons also are dismayed about the nine British detainees being held indefinitely and without trial by the

U.S. military in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Bush defended their detention Thursday, saying they were "picked up off a battlefield."

Aside from insisting trials would be conducted "in fair fashion," he gave no clue as to how he would resolve the issue of the Britons.

Blair said it would shake out "at some point soon" and — despite considerable domestic pressure over the issue — defended the administration's policies on the detainees. The fact that the United States and Britain are negotiating over "fair procedures for trial" proves how the Western democracies are different from terrorists, he said.

With the attacks in Turkey sure to refocus attention on the continuing danger of terrorism, Bush and Blair warned against complacency and used the bombings to justify their troops' continued presence in Iraq despite rising death tolls there.

News tracker: What's new with old news

Nation

Courthouse shooter: A man caught on videotape shooting a lawyer outside a courthouse pleaded innocent Wednesday to attempted murder.

William Strier, 64, allegedly opened fire on Gerald E. Curry as he left an Oct. 31 hearing in Van Nuys involving Strier's trust fund. Curry was a lawyer representing the fund's court-appointment manager.

Limbaugh accusation: Authorities are investigating whether Rush Limbaugh illegally funneled money to buy prescription painkillers, a law enforcement source who spoke on condition of anonymity said Wednesday.

In his third day back on the air after rehab, Limbaugh responded with a blanket denial of the allegations first reported Tuesday by ABC News.

Massachusetts gay marriages: Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney and some key lawmakers are hoping ambiguous

wording in the Supreme Judicial Court's ruling endorsing gay marriage would allow the state to get away with adopting civil unions instead.

Gay rights advocates and legal scholars argued that the court decision instructs the state to recognize nothing short of marriages for gays and lesbians. But Romney said Wednesday he believes the state could adopt civil unions similar to those allowed in Vermont.

World

Iran nuclear equipment: The U.N. atomic agency has identified Russia, China and Pakistan as probable sources for equipment used by Iran for possible nuclear weapons development, diplomats said Thursday outside a key meeting on how harshly to censure Tehran for its past cover-ups.

A senior diplomat said Iran had asked for the adjournment but European nations and the U.S. were using the break to bridge their rift on a resolution censuring Iran's past transgression but recognizing its new openness.

Georgia election: Georgia's election commission on Thursday confirmed the validity of the country's parliamentary elections, putting the party supporting President Eduard Shevardnadze in first place and shrugging off the opposition's claim that the vote was rigged.

The pro-Shevardnadze For a New Georgia bloc came in first with 21.32 percent of the vote, while the Revival party, finished second with 18.84 percent, said Eka Melkadze, a spokeswoman for the Central Election Commission.

War on terrorism

Ag industry vulnerable: A simple handkerchief wielded by a resourceful terrorist could cause billions of dollars of damage to America's food system and untold terror in the nation's kitchens, senators were told Wednesday.

Since the 2001 terrorist attacks, government officials have secured cities, airports, harbors, government buildings and tourist sites, but food experts say more attention should be on the country's food supply.

Stories from The Associated Press

Navarre legacy on the line

Michigan QB yet to lead Wolverines to win over rival Buckeyes

BY LARRY LAGE

The Associated Press

ANN ARBOR, Mich. John Navarre's name is secure in Michigan's record book.

His legacy in Wolverines lore is not.

Navarre holds a slew of Michigan passing records, but those accomplishments are marred by an 0-2 record against Ohio State.

Some believe the senior has to lead the fifth-ranked Wolverines to a victory against the No. 4 Buckeyes to be remembered as one of the best quarterbacks to wear a winged helmet.

"You have to block that out because that's just part of the hype," Navarre said Monday. "You can't focus on that when you're preparing for this game."

"But obviously, how you do against Ohio State is a big part of any career here."

Navarre has one last chance to succeed in this rivalry when the Wolverines (9-2, 6-1 Big Ten) host Ohio State (10-1, 6-1) on Saturday. The outright Big Ten title and an automatic Bowl Championship Series bid are at stake.

Michigan coach Lloyd Carr doesn't think one game should define the career of any player.

"What defines you is your character," Carr said.

However, teammate Grant Bowman, who grew up in Columbus, Ohio, under-

stands why Navarre's legacy hinges on the outcome of the Ohio State game.

"It's probably unfair, but there's a lot of things in life that are unfair," Bowman said. "In big games like this, the opportunities are bigger and the chance for loss [is] bigger."

"That's what you've got to love about it as a competitor. If you don't love that, you probably shouldn't be in the game."

Navarre, a candidate for two national quarterback awards, is finishing his much-maligned career with a flourish.

The native of Cudahy, Wis., has thrown a Big Ten-best 21 touchdown passes, with eight interceptions.

He needs 218 yards to become the first Michigan quarterback to throw for 3,000 yards in a season, and he's two TDs short of Elvis Grbac's career mark of 71. He has completed 67.9 percent of his fourth-quarter passes for eight touchdowns and one interception.

But those numbers will pale in comparison to Navarre's record against Ohio State if the Wolverines don't win Saturday, especially because of his two previous performances in the series.

In a 14-9 loss last season, he was 23-for-46 for 247 yards with two turnovers. He fumbled with 2:02 left, then threw a game-ending interception just short of the end zone.

Navarre threw for 206 yards with two touchdowns, four interceptions and a fumble in a 26-20 loss two years ago.

He said it's difficult to create positive plays while doing everything possible to avoid mistakes.

"The fine line is so fine that it will be the difference between a Big Ten championship and the Rose Bowl," he said. "In this type of game, mistakes will cost you a ring and a BCS bid."

Carr said Navarre has had an "outstanding" season and career, but because he started so young at Michigan, he's had his ups and downs.

As a redshirt freshman in 2001, Navarre started the first four games for an injured Drew Henson. He started strong against weak opponents, then struggled in a loss at UCLA and for a half at Illinois before being replaced by Henson.

When Henson decided to skip his senior season to play baseball, Navarre threw more TD passes (19) than interceptions (13). But he didn't play well in losses against Washington, Michigan State, Ohio State and Tennessee.

After his job was in jeopardy the next spring, he responded.

Navarre threw 21 TD passes and seven interceptions in a 10-win season. Again, detractors pointed to his one TD and two interceptions in Michigan's three losses.

Carr recently said Navarre will make more money than most of his critics next year when he's playing in the NFL.

"As an individual, he's special," Carr said Monday. "There's no tougher man anywhere than John Navarre."

UCLA may be long shot against USC

BY JOHN NADEL

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The latest installment of the UCLA-Southern California rivalry looks to be one of the great mismatches of the series — in favor of the Bruins.

The Bruins don't need to be reminded.

"We've got to play our best game — that's what it comes down to," first-year UCLA coach Karl Dorrell said Monday at his weekly meeting with reporters.

That still might not be enough. The second-ranked Bruins (9-1, 5-1 Pac-10) will try to beat their crosstown rivals for the fifth straight time Saturday — something they've never accomplished despite their 38-27-7 record in the series.

Before USC began its winning streak with a 17-7 victory in 1999, the Bruins had beaten them eight straight times.

"This is how you measure yourself up with another team that's playing very well," Dorrell said. "We have the capabilities of being a pretty good football team. We've showed it in spurts."

They haven't shown it recently. The Bruins (6-5, 4-3) dropped their third game in a row Saturday at the Rose Bowl, putting forth a flat effort in losing to Oregon 31-13. The Ducks held a 31-6 lead at halftime and UCLA didn't score its lone touchdown until the final minute.

Nevertheless, hopes are high for Saturday, with the thought being the 22-point underdog Bruins have little to lose.

"That's fine with us. We've been underdogs all year," senior line-backer Brandon Chillar, the Pac-10's leading tackler, said of the point spread. "That doesn't matter in this game. Numbers don't matter at all."

"This gives us a chance to get the bad taste out of our mouths. You've got to forget stuff, you can't dwell on losses. You have to focus on getting better. That's the only way to be successful in this sport."

The Bruins certainly have been successful, winning 13 straight at the Los Angeles Coliseum, where a capacity crowd of 92,000 will watch Saturday, and 17 of their last 18 games overall dating to last season.

Gordon's 34 lift No. 1 UConn to victory

The Associated Press

STORRS, Conn. — Connecticut played its way to the Preseason NIT semifinals at Madison Square Garden and the top-ranked Huskies needed both of their star players to get there.

Ben Gordon, considered one of the nation's best guards, scored a career-high 37 points in Wednesday night's 93-79 victory over Nevada in the quarterfinals. That came a night after center Emeka Okafor, the AP's pre-season player of the year, had 21 points and 13 rebounds in a 70-60 first-round win over Yale.

"It was nice to have Emeka be so sensational the first game and Ben be sensational the second," UConn coach Jim Calhoun said. "But the guy who's been pretty good both games has been Denham Brown."

Brown, a sophomore swingman, had 15 points and eight rebounds against Yale and then scored a career-high 22 points against Nevada.

"Ben was the emotional and offense leader," Brown said. "Scoring as many points as he did, that could get anybody pumped."

The Huskies (2-0) will play the winner of Thursday's Georgia Tech-Hofstra

second-round game. The other semifinal on Nov. 26 will have Utah, which beat Minnesota 66-54 on Wednesday, against the winner of Friday night's quarterfinal between Massachusetts and Texas Tech.

Gordon was well on his way to a career night Wednesday when the sellout crowd at Gampel Pavilion started chanting "You can't stop him" with 14 minutes to play.

Nevada needed no reminder. "Ben was doing all the scoring, the cheerleading. It was the BG show tonight. The Ben Gordon showcase," said Okafor, who led the Huskies with 14 rebounds.

Diaz photos in court

A photographer accused of trying to extort \$3.3 million from actress Cameron Diaz for photos taken before she was famous threatened to sell them to a European group for \$5 million, an investigator testified Tuesday in Los Angeles.

Detective Brian Bennett, an investigator in the district attorney's office, said during a preliminary hearing for John Rutter that the "majority" of the 20 photos depicted Diaz topless.

Bennett testified that Diaz, 31, told him she feared the photos would "hamper her ability to land certain family movie roles."

Diaz told Bennett the photos were taken in 1992 during a "spec shoot,"

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meaning they were taken only to build Diaz's and Rutter's portfolios and weren't meant to be published.

Eminem's ex shows up

Eminem's ex-wife appeared in two Macomb County, Mich., courts on bench warrants Tuesday after missing two earlier court hearings.

Mathers, 28, posted a \$50,000 cash bond in Macomb County court and was released.

Macomb County Circuit Judge Edward Servitto ordered her to be placed on an

electronic tether, which notifies authorities if she leaves her home but doesn't track her whereabouts. He also ordered her to undergo drug and alcohol testing and attend weekly Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous meetings.

Lawyer Michael Sinutko didn't say where Mathers had been, but told Servitto that she is under "emotional as well as personal stress" and "is hoping to put this back on the right path."

Mathers had been scheduled to appear at a Nov. 4 hearing for violating the conditions of her bond in a St. Clair Shores drug case.

Later Tuesday, Mathers appeared in district court in Warren, where she had missed a Nov. 6 arraignment on a separate charge of running a drug house.

Stories and photo from wire services

Fiancee arrested in stabbing of RB Green

BY TOM WITHERS
The Associated Press

WESTLAKE, Ohio — William Green's off-the-field problems are worsening.

Cleveland's troubled running back was stabbed in the back on Wednesday, and his fiancée has been arrested on charges she assaulted him in their home.

Asia Gray, who earlier in the day made an emergency call to police saying Green had cut himself, was arrested for felonious assault and domestic violence.

Green sustained a puncture wound under his left shoulder blade during a fight, police said.

Gray, 22, who has had two children with Green, is being held in city jail pending arraignment in Rocky River Municipal Court.

"It's sad that he was involved in a situation like that," Browns coach Butch Davis said. "Certainly his teammates and coaches are glad it was not more severe."

Green, who was arrested last month on drunken driving charges and is currently under suspension for violating the NFL's substance-abuse program, told police earlier in the day that he was injured when he fell down stairs.

Green's wound did not require stitches. Team president Carmen Policy said Green's wound was caused "by a sharp instrument, perhaps a steak knife."

Police responded to a 911 call from Green's home Wednesday morning from an upset Gray, who in a high-pitched voice requested an ambulance for her boyfriend.

An emergency vehicle was sent, but Green was not there when it arrived. Police Capt. Guy Turner believes Gray drove Green to St. John-Westshore Hospital accompanied by the couple's 10-week-old baby girl. Green was treated there before being transferred to MetroHealth Medical Center in Cleveland — about 10 miles away — which has a trauma unit better equipped for such injuries.

Turner said Green's injury was not life-threatening, and said Green was expected to remain hospitalized overnight.

The player's sports utility vehicle was impounded, and police sealed his home before acquiring warrants and searching his residence and vehicle late Wednesday night.

Green was suspended for four games last week by the NFL for violating the league's substance-abuse policy. He was arrested Oct. 27 on DUI charges and marijuana possession. The Browns suspended him for the Nov. 9 game at Kansas City for "conduct detrimental to the team", and the league will count that game as part of its suspension.

Under terms of his league suspension, Green is not permitted to be at the team's training facility and the Browns are not allowed to have contact with him.

Policy said the Browns are hoping the league will make an exception and permit the club to help Green deal with his problems and aid his recovery.

Browns owner Randy Lerner visited Green in the hospital, but league spokesman Steve Alic said the team did not violate league rules by seeing their player.

Knicks cry foul after 104-83 rout by Lakers

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The crowd went easy on Kobe Bryant, and the rest of the Los Angeles Lakers were treated like royalty by the referees.

Bryant, Karl Malone and Shaquille O'Neal each made more free throws than the entire Knicks team attempted in a 104-83 victory Wednesday night that snapped the Lakers' three-game road losing streak.

Los Angeles didn't get much of a fight from its short-handed, foul-plagued opponent, and Bryant barely even heard a boo in the seventh road arena the Lakers have visited.

"This is the best reception I've had [on the road]," Bryant said.

The Lakers had a whopping 47-6 edge in free throw attempts in a game that featured 53 fouls — 34 on the Knicks.

"That's a glaring thing right there, that was huge. To me, that stat stands out more than anything else," said Knicks coach Don Chaney, who could not recall a similar disparity in any NBA game he has coached or played in over more than 35 seasons.

Malone had 17 points and 14 rebounds, Shaquille O'Neal had 23 points and Bryant added 21.

The Knicks were led by a career-high

14 points from second-year guard Frank Williams, getting little — except for fouls — from everyone else.

"Anybody can play well when Shaq, Kobe and Karl comes to town," O'Neal said. "If he plays well tomorrow, then I'll give him credit. I'll just call it luck tonight."

The Lakers were 37-for-47 from the line, while New York — playing without Keith Van Horn (sprained ankle) — was 6-for-6.

The Knicks got into immediate foul trouble, with Allan Houston, Kurt Thomas and Dikembe Mutombo each picking up two personals within the first 5½ minutes.

"I don't know if the rules have changed, but I'm very surprised at the way the game was called," Mutombo said. "Some of the fouls I've seen them let it go before, and today they were calling every bump. I don't know, maybe I have to go read the rule book again."

Houston had three fouls before the first quarter ended, but Williams did a nice job filling in by scoring 10 points in the second quarter as New York trailed just 51-49 at halftime.

Lakers coach Phil Jackson was angry with his team in the first half over its shot selection, just as he was a night before when the Lakers played poorly throughout the second half of a loss at Detroit.

Scores/standings

NHL EASTERN CONFERENCE Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	10	2	4	1	25	54	33
New Jersey	10	3	4	0	24	44	29
N.Y. Islanders	9	6	2	0	20	55	41
N.Y. Rangers	6	6	4	2	18	44	46
Pittsburgh	4	10	3	0	11	33	64

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	10	2	3	3	26	51	39
Toronto	7	5	5	2	21	45	53
Buffalo	8	8	2	1	19	40	52
Montreal	8	9	1	1	18	39	44
Ottawa	7	6	2	1	17	50	37

Southeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Atlanta	9	7	3	1	22	58	56
Tampa Bay	9	2	2	1	21	42	26
Carolina	5	7	6	0	16	40	42
Florida	7	11	2	0	16	42	53
Washington	5	12	1	0	11	44	54

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Central Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	11	5	0	1	23	46	39
Detroit	10	7	2	0	22	60	47
Chicago	6	8	4	2	18	38	56
Nashville	7	9	1	0	15	42	47
Columbus	5	10	2	1	13	36	51

Northwest Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	11	4	2	2	26	62	41
Colorado	11	5	1	1	24	58	44
Edmonton	9	7	2	0	20	55	53
Minnesota	8	8	3	0	19	46	43
Calgary	7	8	0	2	16	35	42

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Los Angeles	9	6	1	1	20	47	38
Anaheim	7	7	2	4	20	42	51
Phoenix	6	6	5	1	18	47	55
Dallas	7	9	3	0	17	43	53
San Jose	3	6	8	2	16	45	54

Two points for a win, one point for a tie and overtime loss.

Wednesday's Games

Atlanta 5, Boston 4, OT
Minnesota 6, Pittsburgh 2
Detroit 5, Columbus 1
New Jersey 4, Buffalo 1
N.Y. Islanders 4, Florida 1
Anaheim 3, Dallas 3, tie
Phoenix 5, St. Louis 4
Los Angeles 3, Nashville 0

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	6	6	.500	—
Boston	5	6	.455	½
New Jersey	5	6	.455	½
Washington	5	6	.455	½
New York	3	8	.273	2½

Miami	3	9	.250	3
Orlando	1	10	.091	4½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	9	2	.818	—
New Orleans	9	3	.750	½
Detroit	8	4	.667	1½
Milwaukee	5	6	.455	4
Toronto	5	6	.455	4
Atlanta	4	8	.333	5½
Chicago	4	8	.333	5½
Cleveland	4	8	.333	5½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	8	3	.727	—
Dallas	7	4	.636	1
San Antonio	7	5	.583	1½
Denver	6	5	.545	2
Minnesota	6	5	.545	2
Utah	6	6	.500	2½
Memphis	5	5	.500	2½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	9	3	.750	—
Seattle	6	3	.667	1½
Sacramento	7	4	.636	1½
Portland	6	5	.545	2½
L.A. Clippers	4	4	.500	3
Phoenix	4	6	.400	4
Golden State	4	7	.364	4½

Wednesday's Games

New Orleans 81, Boston 73
Washington 106, Cleveland 95
Philadelphia 81, Toronto 75
Indiana 91, L.A. Clippers 78
L.A. Lakers 104, New York 83
Houston 85, Golden State 83
Sacramento 118, Utah 110
Denver 94, Milwaukee 86
Detroit 99, Memphis 92
Portland 94, Miami 93

College football AP Top 25 schedule

Thursday, Nov. 20

No. 10 TCU at Southern Mississippi

Friday, Nov. 21

No. 20 Boise State at Fresno State

Saturday, Nov. 22

No. 1 Oklahoma at Texas Tech
No. 2 Southern Cal vs. UCLA
No. 3 LSU at No. 15 Mississippi
No. 4 Ohio State at No. 5 Michigan
No. 6 Georgia vs. Kentucky
No. 8 Washington State at Washington
No. 9 Tennessee vs. Vanderbilt
No. 12 Virginia Tech vs. Boston College
No. 13 Miami vs. Rutgers
No. 16 Purdue at Indiana
No. 17 Iowa at Wisconsin
No. 18 Miami (Ohio) at Ohio
No. 19 Kansas State vs. Missouri
No. 21 Pittsburgh at Temple
No. 22 Bowling Green at Ball State
No. 24 Oklahoma State at Baylor
No. 25 West Virginia at Syracuse